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OPC Board Sets Up Exec Committee

A seven-person executive committee was set up at the OPC board of governors meeting Monday night, June 24.

It consists of vice-president *Lin Root*, past-president *John Wilhelm*, *Joe Newman*, secretary *Will Oursler*, treasurer *Matt Huttner*, first vice-president *Will Yolen* and president *Barrett McGurn*.

Bruno Shaw also was appointed as a fourth vice-president by McGurn. Shaw and McGurn were opponents in the recent election for the Club's top post. McGurn told *The Bulletin* the action was a step toward solidifying the Club's leadership.

Henry Gellermann, first alternate, was appointed full board member, to replace *Quincy Howe* who has resigned due to pressure of other business.

The executive committee acts on pressing issues in the absence of a full board of governors meeting, but its de-

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NAACP's HILL LISTS NEGRO DEMANDS

By RONALD A. LANG

NAACP Labor Secretary Herbert Hill predicted "mass protest demonstrations" throughout New York City unless trade unions end "anti-Negro practices" once and for all.

Hill and Inter-Racial Urban League Executive Director Whitney M. Young, Jr. spoke to OPCers at the second Working Press Luncheon on Wed., June 19.

Hill vigorously criticized the building trades unions and said that their policy of "token integration is entirely unacceptable to the Negro community."

He also blasted City officials for not invoking the Administrative Code to prevent discrimination by firms doing business with New York City.

If the provisions of the Code are not enforced, we have "no choice but to organize mass protest rallies at construction sites throughout the city," he added.

Young also predicted labor strife, including the real possibility of "greater demonstrations and greater violence than has transpired in the South."

"Unless immediate and dramatic steps are taken, incidents will occur which can lead to very tragic situations."

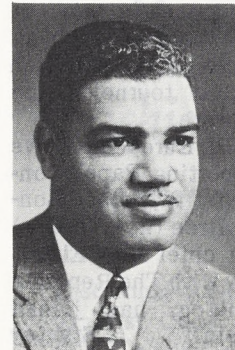
Italian Internat'l Night

The second weekly series of summer International Nights in the OPC's new tenth-floor Bistro Room will be held on Thurs., July 11.

Bistro Committee chairman *Will Oursler* announced that the night will be one honoring Italy, featuring food and music of that country. *Larry Blochman*, the committee gastronome, will again supervise the cuisine.

The event will begin at 6:00 p.m. Charge for the dinner will be \$2.50. Reservations are requested.

The Bistro's first International Night took place on June 27, honoring Scandinavia; no event is scheduled during the July 4 holiday week.



Young



Hill

He reiterated his call for a "massive domestic Marshall Plan" with special benefits to Negroes (and other low economic groups).

"After 300 years, we can't just say that we're going to start out with the Negro and white equal," Young pointed out. "We've got to do something special" for the Negro, possibly a program of benefits similar to that of U.S. veterans.

"To the Negro, New York is the most promised land of all. Yet, when he gets here, he says, 'Here I am in heaven — and I'm still hurting.' There's nothing left for him to do but turn and fight."

During the question period, Hill criticized the Kennedy Administration for not pushing the Fair Employment Practices legislation, which he termed "the greatest single need in terms of the crisis in unemployment for the Negro."

Attwood, Guest July 11

Former Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea *William Attwood* will be special guest at the third OPC Wednesday Press Luncheon on July 10.

Attwood recently returned to the U.S. for home leave from his Guinea post of two years and will be taking on a new assignment late July, probably in Latin America. He was one-time foreign editor of *Look* magazine as well as speech writer for Adlai Stevenson.

NOT THESE DATES ON YOUR

CALENDAR



Thurs., July 4 — Holiday. Dining Room and offices closed. Buffet served in Bar Grill from 12:00 Noon until Midnight. Price: \$2.50. Bar open from Noon until 2:00 a.m. Short order menu will not be served.

Wed., July 10 — Press Luncheon: Guest speaker, Ambassador *William Attwood*, recently returned from Guinea where he served as U.S. Ambassador for over two years. Luncheon: 12:30 p.m. Charge \$2.50. Reservations, please. (See story, this page)

Thurs., July 11 — International Night: Italy. Second in summer series honoring foreign countries. Italian food and music. Time: 6:00 p.m., tenth-floor Bistro Room. Reservations, please. (See this page)

Overseas Ticker



Edited by AL PETERSON

LONDON from BOB TUCKMAN

Many top-name newsmen are converging on London to cover Britain's sex-and-security scandal and President Kennedy's visit to Ireland and England. Among those on the scene are columnist Marquis Childs, Washington Evening Star's Crosby Noyes, NBC's Russ Jones and Scripps-Howard's R.H. Shackford. London-based newsmen are marking down June as one of the biggest news months in recent years. The Profumo scandal seems to produce a new sensation daily and the end isn't in sight. On top of that, the Kennedy visit promises a workout along with the annual fixtures such as Ascot races, Wimbledon tennis, the British Amateur and Open Golf tourneys, the Walker Cup and many more.

Danny Gilmore, UPI European News editor, off in Rome reporting Papal Conclave. He joined at least two other Londoners, AP's Tom Ochiltree (new OPCer) and Time-Life bureau chief Bob Elson. . . . Ward Just, formerly with The Reporter magazine in Washington, has joined Newsweek's London staff. . . . Stanley M. Swinton, World Services director of AP, wound up a five-week European tour

with a three-day stopoff in London before heading home to New York.

Effective July 1, Russel F. Anderson becomes editor and publisher of McGraw-Hill's monthly magazine International Management. HQ for the magazine, which is being published in three languages and circulates in over 100 countries, is being transferred from New York to London. Anderson also will continue as publisher of Metalworking Production, a McGraw-Hill weekly in Britain, and as director of European Operations of McGraw-Hill's Publications Division.

MEXICO CITY . . . from JAIME PLENN

Charles Egger, Scripps-Howard editor, here on vacation and material-gathering trip. . . . Hal Lavine on special 10-day assignment for Show magazine from New York and Washington. . . . Herb Surret, UPI-Kansas City, on vacation visit. . . . Lincoln Thompson, L.A. Times, made brief trip to Mexico. . . . Ralph Runnels, Houston Chronicle, here to write series on this country.

William Lander left for U.S. after 18 months as Information Officer at U.S. Embassy. Popular former UPI bureau chief here and ex-president of Foreign Correspondents Assn. garnered testimonial dinner from 200 Mexican newsmen and farewell party with going-away gift from correspondents.

University of the Americas (formerly Mexico City College) hosted luncheon on campus for group of foreign correspondents.

CAIRO from JAMES PICTON

Dick Helgerson, formerly of Minneapolis Tribune and Times, has been named press attache here, replacing Cushman Reynolds. Reynolds' pleasant ways will be missed, but Helgerson is also well-known, liked and respected here. . . . John Slocum, Cultural Attache here, is being transferred to the UN.

George MacArthur, AP, and Dave Dugas, UPI, both back on the job after trips to Addis Summit Conference and Khartoum. . . . Your correspondent has just returned from Addis by way of Djibouti, Aden and Yemen.

Even Cairo felt the effects of this year's OPC Charter Flight. CBS editor Marian Glick continued on her own (at least part of the time) from Rome to Beirut, Jordan, then down here. She saw the Sphinx, the Pyramids and got four marriage proposals from amorous Arabs. What other tourist area can offer that combination?



AP photogs Don Royle (left) and Raoul Fornezza in Addis Ababa try to make friends with Tojo, a lion, outside Emperor Haile Selassie's palace. They were in Addis for the recent conference of African statesmen.

COPENHAGEN . . . from PER AMBY

Five years ago, Noel Fox and Daniel Michelson, ex-U.S. naval officers, founded Scandinavia's first English-language newspaper, The Scandinavian Times. Sceptics frowned. Latest venture of these two energetic landlubbers: an English newsmag format a la Time. Scandinavian Times Newsmagazine's first issue was very well received. Editors plan a series of businessmen's Guides to Denmark, aimed at execs who are out to combine business and pleasure in Nordic countries.

Among recent visiting firemen were Edward Barrett, Dean of Columbia U's Journalism School. . . . and Charles Joslin, foreign editor of Chemical Weekly.

SCENE SHIFTERS

At NBC: John Chancellor moved to Brussels two weeks ago to open new NBC bureau there, covering EEC among other things. His first assignment was Kennedy trip. . . . Ken Bernstein moved from Buenos Aires post to London as second man to senior European correspondent Joseph C. Harsch. . . . Dick Valeriani, now working out of Chicago, replaced by John Hlavacek in Miami.

NY Times Tokyo correspondent A.M. Rosenthal returns to NY for home leave, then reassignment.

CORRECTION: Under Moscow "Ticker" (June 15, 1963 issue), UPI bureau chief was incorrectly identified. The news service's chief in that city is Henry Shapiro. Editors apologize.

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S. AFRICA OUSTS OPCer FOR 'RACIAL' INCIDENT

Tomas D.W. Friedmann of PIP Photos has been expelled from South Africa for a "racial incident" according to an AP release.

Friedmann was working on a story about an American negro professor who teaches economics at Pius XII University in South Africa and two white children of another American lecturer there. He was arrested after he, the children and the negro professor tried to have ice cream together at a luncheon counter.

According to reports just received from Friedmann, the police were keeping him under surveillance because of an exclusive five-hour taped interview he had with Albert Luthuli who won the Nobel Prize for Peace. They were interested in knowing what the two had discussed.

Friedmann is on the last lap of a photographic journey which has entered its second year and has taken him through the Iron Curtain countries, the Near East and Africa. Another hardship that still has not been overcome is that the American Government has not yet been able to get back rolls of valuable film confiscated by the Roumanian Government when Friedmann was in that country.

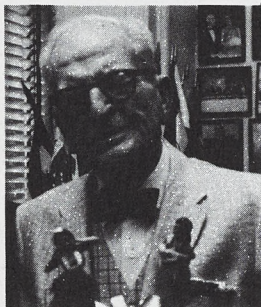
Crockett Celebrates 90th

Fond tribute was paid to OPC's oldest member, *Albert S. Crockett*, on his 90th birthday, June 19, at a Club-house party.

Amidst the applause of his many friends and fans, a birthday cake bearing nine candles was presented to him by Club secretary *Will Oursler*.

In turn, *A.M. Crockett* presented recollections of experiences from his long and colorful journalism career. Past-president *Louis Lochner* reminded those present of the many "firsts" the guest of honor had achieved in his newspaper heyday — mainly, his role in establishing the institution called THE BY-LINE.

Gifts, cards and telegrams rounded out the celebration. From Rome came a cable from *Considine*: "Congratulations. You are now mature enough to be Pope. Entered your name in the conclave."



Crockett

EXEC COMMITTEE (Cont'd f. p. 1)

cisions are subject to ratification by the board, secretary Oursler explained. Any two members of the committee can call a session and with the president in attendance there would be a quorum.

A new committee post was named at the meeting with the appointment of Joe Newman as coordinator of programs. With whatever assistance he requires from other members, Newman will oversee various functions at the Club to avoid conflicting arrangements and assure propriety.

Harry Jiler was named chairman of the Budget & Finance Committee.

Henry Cassidy was reappointed chairman of the Admissions Committee, to be assisted by *Kathleen McLaughlin*.

A portion of the meeting was in "executive" — closed — session. It was the board's last scheduled gathering for the summer.

As usual the Club's financial situation was discussed. Treasurer *Huttner* reported:

- the Club is still operating in the red. In May, 1963, the first month of the new administration, we lost \$6,448 as compared with \$6,594 in May, 1962. Prime reason for the loss was a 10% decline in food and beverage sales.
- fixed charges and administration and house charges declined slightly.
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Bob Dunne

SCHOENBRUN RESIGNS FROM CBS

After 17 years with CBS (15 of which were spent as Paris correspondent), *David Schoenbrun* resigned as chief European correspondent for the network on June 25. A separation between the newsman and the network had been rumored for some time.

Schoenbrun was quoted as saying that his resignation was submitted because of "professional considerations," not because of any personality dispute. Differences of matters of news assignments and programming conflicts were given as reasons.

CHANGEOVERS AT AP

AP general manager *Wes Gallagher* has announced appointment of *Kenneth L. Davis* as head of AP operations in Argentina, Uruguay and Paraguay with hq in Buenos Aires. Davis succeeds *Sam Summerlin* who will head bureau in New Orleans after 15 years abroad.

Daniel Harker of the Bogota staff has succeeded *George Arfeld* as correspondent in Havana. Arfeld will become correspondent in Lisbon, after vacation and visit to New York hq for consultation.



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ANNUAL IPI MEETING

280 Editors At Assembly in Stockholm Note Press Progress

By STAN SWINTON

(Director, World Services Division
The Associated Press)

Stockholm was at its appealing best when 280 editors and publishers from 30 countries gathered for the annual Assembly of The International Press Institute in May. The days were warm, the midnight sun did not fade until 3:00 a.m. and for journalists both the company and the discussion was stimulating.

This was the 12th Assembly of this largest of International global journalistic groups (the Inter-American Press Institute is bigger but includes members only from the Americas).

Radio/TV Journalists

As at Tokyo three years ago, the most bitter debate rose over whether radio and television journalists would be admitted as full members so long as they represented networks or news organizations independent of governmental control.

At Tokyo the discussion was so sharp that the issue was tabled. This year it came to a vote. The United Kingdom delegates led the minority favoring inclusion of broadcasters. The U.S. delegation which with 45 members was the most numerous, led the opposition.

By a vote of 81 to 33 the Assembly rejected full membership for broadcasters. The issue was referred back to the Board of Directors. Most members expect it to come up again since radio and television journalists feel so strongly on the issue.

The concrete accomplishments of IPI during the past year brought hearty applause from delegates sitting in Sweden's massive Parliament building in chairs normally used by the Swedish equivalent of our Congress.

India Press Group

A Press Institute of India, financed by Indian newspapers, has been established to serve as the core of efforts to improve journalistic techniques and standards in India. Up to 20 trainees will study there.

In addition, the Press Institute of India held a seminar last February in New Delhi headed by John P. Harris, the widely-traveled Hutchinson, Kansas, publisher. Three other workshops will be held this year.

In Africa, Tom Hopkinson, a British journalist, took over his duties as director for IPI for the continent. On March 18, the first IPI training course for African journalists opened at Nairobi, Kenya. Another is to be held in West Africa, probably in Lagos. By the end of the



A hearty laugh is enjoyed by delegates to the IPI meeting in Stockholm. (Left to right): Noach Mozes of Yediot Aharanot, Tel Aviv; Gerald Long, General Manager of Reuters; Paul Drahe Pederson of Sweden; AP's Stan Swinton; Harold Chernoff, Sioux Falls (S.D.) Argus Leader; and Bent Sally, Berlingske Tidende. (Photo, AP)

year, IPI's African program expects to have trained approximately 60 African journalists.

Seminars Held

Three major seminars were held in Europe—one on press problems in coverage of nuclear defense, another on crime reporting in which police, judges and criminologists took part and a third, to take place next month, on problems involved in coverage of farming and agriculture.

Since last year's IPI Assembly in Paris, freedom of the press suffered new blows—in Haiti, Ghana, Indonesia and Korea, among other countries.

Protests to Governments

During the year, IPI protested to four governments over violations of press freedom. Discrimination against OPC member Lou Stein brought an IPI protest to Brazil.

A strong representation was made to Ghana over the closing of *The Ashanti Pioneer*. The Institute expressed serious concern to West Germany over the German government treatment of *Der Spiegel*.

Lastly, the IPI protested to South Korea's President when three Korean newspapermen were sentenced to death. One of the three was executed and two now are serving prison terms.

The question of whether to continue the Korean National IPI Committee established in 1961 was reviewed. Korean delegates convinced the IPI Board and delegates that there had been a substantial improvement in press conditions in recent months. The Committee was permitted to continue its work.

Istanbul Next

Next year the IPI will meet in Istanbul.

One cause for regret was that only one OPC member from the group who were in Europe on the Club's chartered flight came to Stockholm to attend the sessions.

On the social side, the King and Queen of Sweden received each delegate in Drottningholm Palace. Queen Louise, sister of Lord Louis Mountbatten, proved charming and unaffected. Her preoccupation was her pretty grand-daughter's choice of Radcliffe as a college.

The Younger Generation

"There are excellent universities in Sweden," the Queen said. "And, of course, if she wanted to go abroad there are fine British universities. But the Princess insisted on going to America. You simply cannot do a thing with this younger generation."

The days of absolute monarchy obviously are over!

PEOPLE & PLACES

BOOKS: Cartoonist **Mell Lazarus** has authored a humorous novel, "The Boss Is Crazy Too," published by Dial . . . "The Outdoor Cookbook" (Pocketbooks) by **Jules Bond** published last week . . . **Robert L. (Robin) Moore, Jr.**, first civilian to take entire three-week training course in Airborne preparatory to writing a book on Special Warfare.

ARTICLES: **Edward A. Walsh**, Fordham journalism head, authored "A Tribute to Meyer 'Mike' Berger" in the Spring issue of The Journalism Educator . . . Twelve articles on the history of foods and cooking, from the typewriter of **Poppy Cannon**, in the Grolier Encyclopedia, will also appear in Encyclopedia's upcoming international edition.

NEW POSTS: **William B. King**, former U.S. Information Agency assistant director for Near East and South Asia, to Karachi, Pakistan, as counselor of Embassy for Public Affairs. OPC visitors to Karachi invited to get in touch . . . **George G. Herz**, former director of advertising and publicity for Scandinavian Airlines, to R.J. Sullivan, Inc., as executive vice president of the PR firm . . . **Gertrude DonDero** named executive director Girls Clubs of America to guide organizational and fund-raising activities . . . **M.S. Greenman** has resigned as manager of United Press Movietone News to become v.p. and general manager of Cinevision Corp. of America, a subsidiary of Estey Electronics, Inc. . . . Formerly director of publicity and promotion for the National Tuberculosis Association, **John W. Murray** has resigned to form his own agency in New York . . . **Sydney Morrell** has resigned as chairman of the board of Infoplan to establish his own firm.

LECTURES: **Pauline Frederick** addressed the Advertising Association of the West in Los Angeles June 24; the Minnesota Bar Association in Duluth on June 26 . . . **Piero T. Saporiti**, Bureau Chief in Madrid, spoke to professors and students at the Madrid U. School of Journalism on occasion of Time's 40th anniversary . . . **Ben Grauer** opening day commentator of the July 1-3 observance of Battle of Gettysburg's 100th anniversary.

HONORS: **Dudley Harmon**, information director of CBS News, Washington, elected recording secretary of the Washington chapter of American Women in Radio and Television. She also has an article on CBS News Washington in the current Smith College Alumnae Quarterly . . . **N.R. Caine** named prexy of "52," organization which helps wounded veterans 52 weeks of the year.

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

The effort to make the OPC the number one newsmaking center of New York has new encouraging successes, thanks to the efforts of *Joe Newman's* programming committee.

City Hall now has assured us that it will give us full backing so that the City of New York will not "miss a bet" in providing the country as a major news-generating platform.

The program as it is developing will not limit itself to news with a specific foreign angle. There is no reason why the OPC World Press Center should not look as well at the free world's greatest nation and at America's greatest city, New York.

In that light, one of the regularly scheduled weekly 12:30 p.m., 90-minute, \$2.50 press luncheons has already provided a platform for discussing the American racial problem and, at another, Carmine De Sapio, former head of New York's Tammany Hall and a figure returning to the news stage, was a guest. It is the committee's policy to bring all major news figures to meet the questions of our members.

It is a pleasure for me to welcome *Bruno Shaw* as fourth vice president. It has been an old and happy custom of the OPC to close ranks after elections by inviting the other presidential candidate to serve on the board of governors and I have been happy to have Bruno's cooperation in reviving that good practice.

Barrett McGurn

MARRIAGES: **Alice Weel**, writer and producer in TV news, to Homer Bigart July 6 in Haddam, Conn. . . . Elizabeth Jeune Georgeson of New Zealand, an employe of the American Embassy in Moscow, to **Sam A. Jaffe**, Moscow correspondent for ABC News, on June 23 in the Russian capital.

BIRTH: A son, Douglas, to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Nevins in Bridgeport, Conn., June 18, made veteran PR exec **Bert Nevins** a proud grandfather.

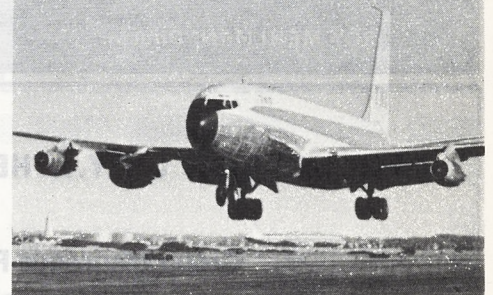
ON LEAVE: **Kevin Delany** taking a year's leave of absence from CBS News to work with the Washington staff of the Peace Corps evaluating overseas projects. His first assignment, in June, to Liberia and Nepal.

COCKTAIL NAPKINS, ANYONE? Freda and **Joe Peters** are copping a plea for their own person-to-person program in Yugoslavia. Kids in Belgrade are collect-inf cocktail napkins instead of match-covers or what have you. The Peters' special juvenile pals are asking for two of each napkin, one for the collection and one for trading. Please leave napkins for Joe at the OPC front desk.

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Stephen Korsen, Chairman

ANNUAL REPORTS OF CLUB COMMITTEES

FOREIGN JOURNALISTS' LIAISON COMMITTEE: The Foreign Journalists' Liaison Committee established contact with approximately 75 foreign newsmen in 1962-63.

A reception and dinner on September 26 honored fifteen leading editors who participated in the American Press Institute's Asian Seminar. On May 28 nineteen Japanese newsmen, guests of the State Department and the Department of Defense, attended a reception at the Club. A similar group from NATO countries visited the Club in October. Another 20 newsmen on individual visits were provided use of the club facilities.

The committee has undertaken to provide one or two tables at the Annual Awards Banquet for newsmen visiting from abroad, if sponsors can be found for each chair. The other item of unfinished business is to establish whether the Overseas Press Club can play a worthwhile role in arranging an interchange of information between approximately two dozen organizations which now bring foreign journalists to the United States for tours or study.

Watson Sims, Chairman

Arthur Reef, Vice Chairman

Rob Roy Buckingham

Aaron Einfrank

Russ Tornabene

Ernest Wiener

EXHIBITS COMMITTEE: Three photographic exhibits have been arranged. Ansco's rare collection of Civil War photographs.

Photographs of the India-China border war and the Vietnamese conflict by OPC award winner *Dickey Chapelle*.

"A Personal Picture of People and Places", by *Norman Cousins*.

Expense of prints, mounting, and hanging has been borne by the exhibitors. The Committee has no budget.

Ed Wergeles, Chairman

Dick Hanley, Vice Chairman

CHARTER FLIGHT COMMITTEE: BOAC was lowest bidder of the 4 carriers that advertise in our *Bulletin*. These are the only carriers to bid. The 1963 trip to Rome returning from London was priced \$295.

Our 3rd Charter Flight was sold out within a month of announcement in September.

The new Hilton International Hotels in Rome and London are providing fliers and resident members in those cities with cocktail receptions. The Israeli Government invited 25 on the flight to visit Israel for one week. Room, board and guides provided — members to pay their own fares to and from the country.

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Scott Bryan Bruns - Desk Editor and Reporter, United Press International, Paris, France.

Tom Ochiltree - Diplomatic Correspondent, The Associated Press, London, England.

Arthur Jackson Slattery - Columnist, Daily Enterprise, Saranac Lake, New York.

Jack S. Smith - President, Eden Publishing Company, Southington, Connecticut.

Hunter S. Thompson - Special Correspondent for South America, National Observer, Washington, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Theodore C. Trancu - Staff Correspondent, World Wide Information Services, Inc., Milan, Italy.

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Charles Pintchman - Assistant Director of PR, The Reader's Digest, New York.

Robert S. Prescott - Public Affairs Manager - Latin America, Ford Motor Company, Detroit, Michigan.

Oscar Rose - United Nations Correspondent, World Wide Broadcasting System, New York.

Gene Sosin - Director, New York Bureau of Radio Liberty.

Antoinette D. Stabile - Free-lance, New York.

Fred Van Deventer - News Commentator, Mutual Broadcasting System, New York.

LETTERS

Editor, *Bulletin*:

I'd like to second *Joe Sims'* protest (June 8, 1963 issue) of the decision to invite only friends to air their views in the OPC. No organization which takes such a position has a right to criticize news "management." A reporter should be prepared to sup with Satan if there's a story in it.

Louis Stein

Copley News Service
Rio de Janeiro

Editor, *Bulletin*:

The name is spelled O-M-A-N-S-K-Y. Otherwise, who would know it's DOROTHY?

BOARD COMMITTEES (Cont'd f.pg.6)

This invitation was fully subscribed.

The 1963 Charter Flight Committee consists of: *Gilbert Carter* with *David Lobb* as alternate for BOAC, *DeWitt S. Davidson*, *Malcolm McTear Davis*, *Robert S. Kane* and *Richard Joseph. Madeline D. Ross*, Chairman

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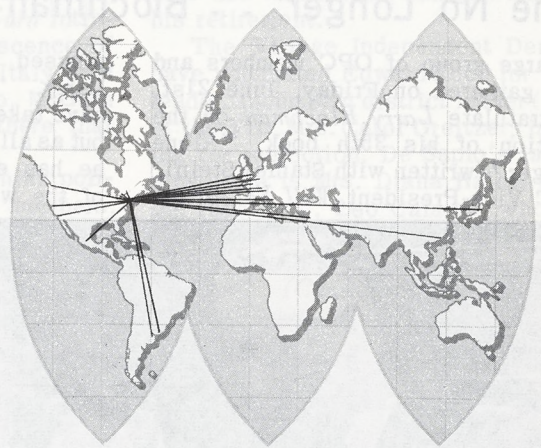
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More Bouquets than Barbs for OPC Authors' New Books 'Forgotten People' Called Historic Document

If *Seymour Frieden* was prepared to hear his book, "The Forgotten People," criticized by a panel of his peers at a Book Night meeting devoted to it on Thurs., June 20, he must have been happily surprised. The volume, which had already won the Club's award as "best book on foreign affairs" published during last year, received almost unanimous praise from *Leon Dennen*, Donald Lowrie and Msgr. Bela Varga.

Villain of the evening, if there was one, was the U.S. Government, which came in for considerable criticism of its policy regarding the satellite nations behind the Iron Curtain. Moderator *Hal Lehrman* suggested that in the future a representative of the State Department be asked to appear to defend Government policy with which the book disagrees.

There was general agreement that the book was, as described by author-columnist Dennen, "a human book, beautiful written," and "an historic document, one of the brilliant contributions to the history of our times." Not unanimous, however, was opinion on whether, as the author suggests, liberation of the captive people could and should be attempted from the outside, or whether it must



"FORGOTTEN PEOPLE" BOOK NIGHT, June 20: (l. to r.) Panelists Donald Lowrie, Msgr. Bela Varga; author Seymour Frieden; ch'm. Anita Diamant Berke; Leon Dennen; moderator Hal Lehrman.

stem from within. In defending his position, and in answer to a question from the floor, the author mentioned means by which "economic chaos could be created in a matter of days" — by "pin-pointing areas of economy where a given regime is most easily affected," and by use of strikes, sit-downs, and absenteeism.

"It is unfashionable," he said, "to worry about the self-determination of people who already have civilized cultures," and "fashionable to worry about the under-developed" nations. We must, however, he reiterated, "be prepared to go to the rescue of people who have proven that they want a different outlook on life."

A veteran of 16 years as a foreign correspondent in Middle and Eastern Europe who is now executive editor of foreign news at the *New York Herald Tribune*, the author emphasized his view that we must always be prepared and "never permit the enemy to be relaxed."

"I don't believe for one moment," he added, "in the Soviet talk of co-existence."

Prexy *Barrett McGurn* welcomed guests to the program, arranged by chairman *Anita Diamant Berke* and the Book Night Committee. Also on the dais were the Club's two veeps, *Will Yolen* and *Lin Root*.

Betty Etter

'Alone No Longer' . . Blochman's 35th Book

A large group of OPC members and friends gathered on Friday, June 21st, to congratulate *Larry Blochman* on the publication of his 35th book, "Alone No Longer" (written with Stanley Stein).

OPC Vice-President, *Will Yolen*, ex-

pressed the affection of the Club for Larry. "Larry's writing assignments have taken him to every part of the world, but as all such international cosmopolites he has ended here at the headquarters of the world news writing people . . .



BLOCHMAN BOOK RECEPTION, June 21: (Left to right) Frank Waggoner, sales manager, Funk & Wagnalls; book's editor Beulah Phelps Harris; and author Larry Blochman.

the OPC."

Larry Blochman's long years of service to the OPC were discussed by *Will Yolen*, from his position as Vice President, to Board Member, to Committee Chairman even to such an exotically named committee as the "Salad and Spinach Committee," (a division of the House Operations Committee).

Although Larry was not one of the original 26 founding members of the OPC, *Will* pointed out that Larry has spent more time at the Club than most of the founders and "the Club has never been without his service in one capacity or another and we are the richer for it."

Larry Blochman's new book tells the story of a man who, having contracted Hansen's disease, refused to be "one of the living dead," and has spent his life working to remove the stigma ordinarily attached to the word "leprosy."

"If Larry could figure drink recipes to satisfy newspapermen around the world in his 'Bar Tender's Guide,'" *Will* Yolen pointed out, "Larry certainly can handle the subject of his new book with equal feeling and sympathy."